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Paragraphs [0001] and [0002] are hereby amended as follows:

[0001] This is a Division of commonly-owned copending Application No. 09/775,516, filed February 2, 2001, now U.S. Pat No. 6,641,828 B1, issued November 4, 2003, which in turn is a continuation-in-part of commonly-owned copending Application No. 09/484,938, filed January 18, 2000, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,565,868 B1, issued May 20, 2003.

[0002] Commonly-owned copending Application No. 09/484,844, filed January 18, 2000, now U.S. Pat No. 6,809,205 B1, issued October 26, 2004, describes and claims chemical processes from which compositions of the present invention can be formed or derived. Commonly-owned copending Application No. 09/484,687, filed January 18, 2000, now U.S. Pat No. 6,508,954 B1, issued January 21, 2003, describes and claims 1,3-dibromo-5,5-dimethylhydantoin particulate solids producible by the processes of Application No. 09/484,844, such solids having unprecedented enhanced properties, and compacted articles made from such particulate solids without use of a binder. Commonly-owned copending Application No. 09/487,816, filed January 18, 2000, now U.S. Pat No.6,680,070 B1, issued January 20, 2004, relates in part to converting 1,3-dihalo-5,5-dimethylhydantoins into compacted articles using novel binders. Commonlyowned copending Application No. 09/484,891, filed January 18, 2000, now U.S. Pat No. 6,495,698 B1, issued December 17, 2002, relates to the compacting of 1,3-dihalo-5,5dimethylhydantoins other than 1,3-dibromo-5,5-dimethylhydantoin without use of binders, and to the novel compacted forms so produced. Commonly-owned copending Application No. 09/483,896, filed January 18, 2000, now U.S. Pat No. 6,448,410 B1, issued September 10, 2002, relates to the granulation of small average particle size 1,3-dibromo-5,5-dimethylhydantoin and also to the compaction of such granulated products to form larger-sized articles.